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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
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Laurey Tantra
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Dear Ms. Tantra:

Thank you for your letter concerning the formation of a Minority Hiring and Review Commission. In a recent Notice of Proposed Rule Making, Review of the Commission's Broadcast and Cable Equal Employment Opportunity Rules and Policies and Termination of the EEO Streamlining Proceeding, 13 FCC Rcd 23004 (1998), the Commission requested comment on proposals to restructure its EEO Rules and policies. As your letter appears to concern these issues, it will be associated with the record of that proceeding.

In your letter, you also request answers to several questions concerning station ownership and payment to radio stations for use of on-air time. In answer to your initial question, it is not illegal to pay radio stations to use on-air time, as long as the station announces, at the time of the broadcast, that the broadcast is paid for and who has paid for the broadcast. In answer to your second and third questions, in order to own and operate a radio or television station, a person or entity, such as a corporation, must have a license, issued by the Federal Communications Commission.

I hope this has been responsive to your concerns.

Sincerely,

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Dear FCC Chairman Mr Kennard

I would like to Happy New Year to you
 Would you please considering Putting together
 Hiring & Review Board Commission. Their
 are a lot of minority, Women Who are
 not getting hire by Radio Station and TV station
 Some have Mass Communication Degrees and
 the talent and Education, also they are
 a lot of minority want to get in Radio & TV
 Broadcasting not given a chance. Because the one
 that on Radio want more money than help someone
 Fullfill their dream in Broadcasting Market

Suggesting Please help for a Commission
 on minority Hiring & Review Commission Board
 Consist of minority & Women. Also a 1,000 fine
 against Radio Station that doesn't hire minority
 and according the minority Hiring Review Commission
 Procedure and Enforce the license or Eliminate their
 air-time. Stiffen Penally \$5,000 fine Closing Radio
 Station & TV station that don't follow the minority
 Hiring & Review Commission Board. Their a lot Radio Station
 and TV station don't have many black working for them
 or non working. Some Radio Station Before they hire
 a black person or other minority they hire a foreign Person
 From overseas. ^{also} Some TV station do the same also
 the Racial Discrimination and it's wrong. The Radio Station & TV
 Station in Louisiana need a major overhaul surgery
 on it hiring of minority & Women that would minority
 and Women in Radio. Please considering the Suggester
 above.

FCC Chairman Kennard Please Suggest this
Idea Minority Hiring & Review Commission Board
to your fellow commissioners. Please Put this
Into Action IF you @ appreciated very much
Please Let me know what going on, what the
Opinion and what Can @ do to Bring minority
and women Into the Radio TV Market Broadcasting

Then Some Radio In Eunice, Crowley and the
who state is bad in hiring Black & minority
That why @ suggest your form a minority
Hiring & Review Commission Board. To make
It Better For Blacks & other minority & Women
If you do form or put it together @ like to own
It I am tire see talent people go to
waste who have the education the experience
and know how about Radio & TV Broadcasting
Please Help me FCC Chairman Kennard
to get Blacks to fulfill their dream and aspirant

- 1) I have a Question is it illegal
that Radio stations take people money to
get on the air? Say let a people want
get on the air he had to pay them (Yes or No)
- 2) Do a person must have a Radio License
to operate a Radio Station and TV Station
Yes or No
- 3) Do a person need a license to own Radio ^{station} and
TV station (Yes or No)

~~To Mr~~ To FCC Chairman W. Kennard I have a
lot of people ask me these Questions and @
do not have an answer that why @ writing you
I appreciated @ have answer for these
people

And Again FCC Chairman W. Kennard
Please considerate and take into action
all that is written in the letter it
is important for Blacks Hispanic and other
minority & women because they are future
leader in Radio & TV Broadcasting.
And it an honor to write as First

Black FCC Chairman a big Job
continuing in your good work FCC Chairman
W. Kennard I appreciated very much
you can help me & assisted in everything
I need to know. I am a civic leader
in Eunice and surrounding area.
May God Bless You

also you might want to form a Monitoring Team?
~~There~~ Radio Station in Eunice have no blacks working
the other station have a few one or 2 blacks
also State Radio in Crowley LA (Suggestion)

Please send all information and literatures
I need. I hope Minority Hiring Review
Commission Board

Go through

Thank You

Laurey Tatra

P.S I Believe That "Minority Hiring Review Commission
Board is good for the State Louisiana & U.S.A

all 50 states

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